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on the cinema screen of stars such as Marilyn

their bodies. An ideal of perfection was reinforced by the appearance